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## NO PEACE TO BE MADE IN DARK, WILSON PLEDGE TO CONGRESS

### PLOT TO RETHRONE KAISER BLAMED ON VON MACKENSEN AND MAKERS OF MUNITIONS

Telephone Leak Enables Berlin  
Government to Take  
Steps to Foil It.

MANY ARRESTS MADE.

Plotters Made Overtures to  
Hindenburg to Join Them  
But He Refused.

LONDON, Dec. 2 (Associated Press).—A plot to restore imperialism and secure the return of Emperor William has been discovered in Berlin, according to a despatch from Amsterdam to the Express.

According to the despatch, which was filed at Amsterdam on Friday, the chief men behind the plot were Field Marshal von Mackensen, Gen. von Born and Gen. Count Sixt von Armin. It is said that they instructed the Prussian Officers' Corps to carry on a pro-Emperor agitation, beginning immediately after the demobilization of the troops was completed. Large sums of money are said to have been placed at the disposal of the leaders by munition makers.

Lieut. Dr. Gustav Krupp von Bohlen is said to have been in control of the financial arrangements. Von Mackensen is reported to have attempted to induce Field Marshal von Hindenburg to join, but the latter refused, saying that he intended to retire after the demobilization of the army. The whole Prussian Court, it is stated, was in sympathy with the plotters, and it is said that Prince von Buelow and Dr. Georg Michaelis, former Imperial Chancellor, had promised to help. The plan was to organize a Provisional Government under Field Marshal von Mackensen or some other military leader, and then urge William Hohenzollern to return.

The plot collapsed because a secret service agent overheard a telephone conversation. Many arrests have been made in Berlin and other cities, while the Government has long lists of suspects, who had planned to seize members of the present Government.

No direct evidence of William Hohenzollern's connection with the plot has been found, it is said, but it is believed that the outline of the plan was brought to Berlin by two of his aides, who recently went to the German capital for the ostensible purpose of taking the wife of the former Emperor to Amerongen, Holland.

WANT FORMER KAISER  
TO BE TRIED BEFORE  
A GERMAN TRIBUNAL

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 2.—A number of the Soldiers' and Workmen's Councils in Germany have requested the German Government to have former Emperor William tried by a German tribunal, according to a news agency telegram from Berlin. The Government, it is stated, will submit the question to the National Assembly.

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### NAT GOODWIN SAID TO HAVE LOST EYE; MAY GIVE UP STAGE

Actor's Affliction Results From  
Using Chloroform in Mis-  
take for Wash.

The stage may lose N. C. Goodwin, who is said to have lost his right eye as the result of an operation performed at the Manhattan Eye, Ear and Nose Hospital, No. 210 East 64th Street.

Several weeks ago Mr. Goodwin, in using an eye cup to relieve inflammation of his right eye, put chloroform into the cup in mistake for a sedative. It was dark at the time the actor used the wash and not until the pain caused by the burning douche struck him did he realize what had happened.

The chloroform bit deep and when local remedies failed to relieve his suffering an operation was advised. Mr. Goodwin went to the hospital Saturday morning and on Saturday afternoon the operation was performed by Dr. Frank N. Irwin of No. 527 Fifth Avenue.

Dr. Irwin refused to confirm the removal of the actor's eye when seen this morning. Neither would he deny it. He said until he had seen Mr. Goodwin again and obtained his permission, he would not discuss the case further than to say the actor was getting along well.

Mr. Goodwin's only visitor since he has been in the hospital has been a young and pretty woman who did not leave her name. She was described as "very attractive and light" and was said to be "not the wife of Mr. Goodwin," Miss Margaret Foreland, the comedian's fifth wife recently obtained a divorce.

Mr. Goodwin is sixty-one years old and the loss of his eye will probably mean his retirement from the stage and the motion picture field. He made his debut with Stuart Robson in "The Law in New York" in the old Howard Athenaeum, Boston, on March 5, 1873. His home is at No. 72 Forest Street, Roxbury, Mass.

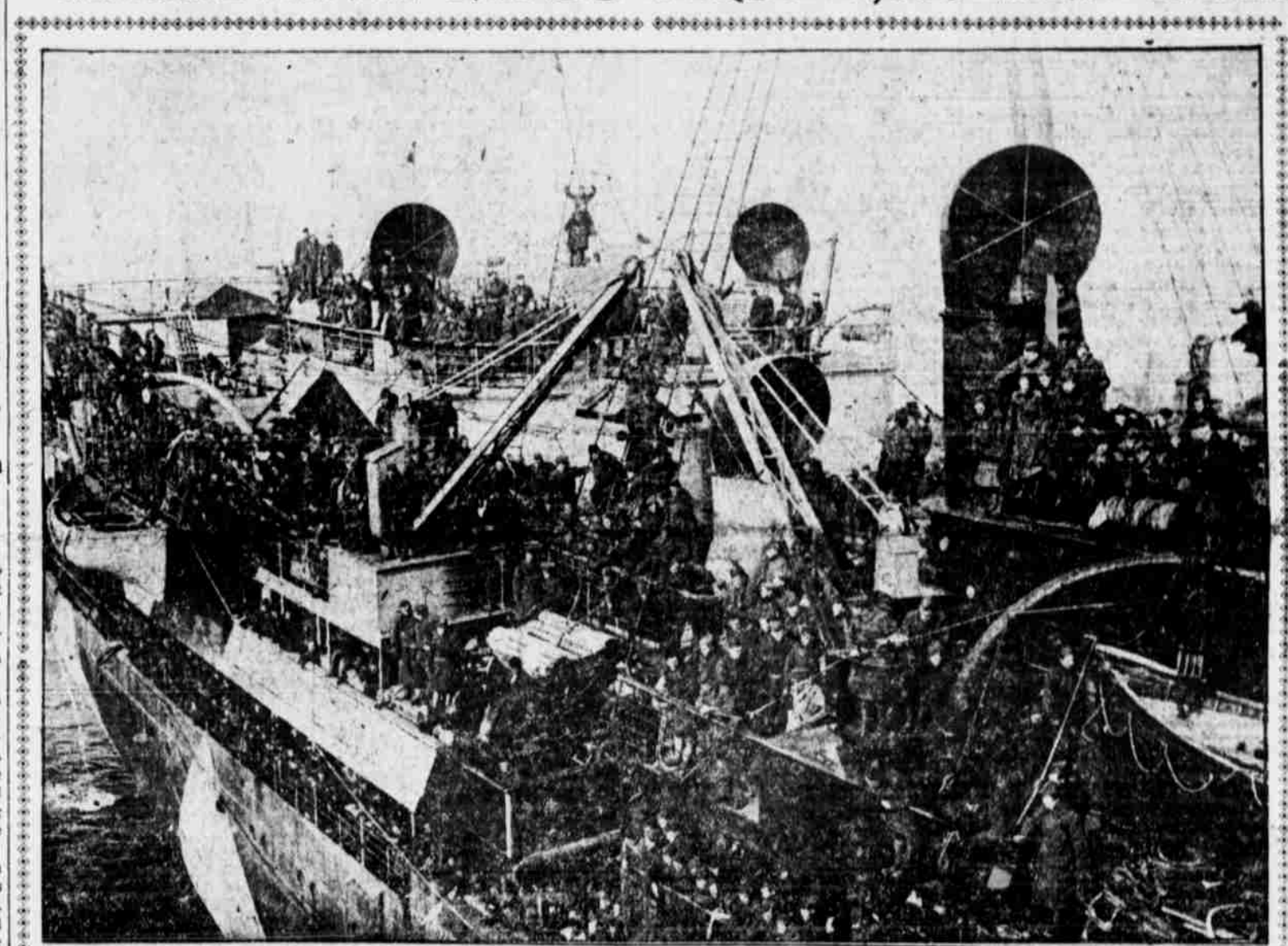
EDMUND ROSTAND, FRENCH  
DRAMATIST AND POET, DEAD

Author of "Cyrano de Bergerac" and  
"L'Aiglon" a Victim of  
Pneumonia.

PARIS, Dec. 2.—Edmond Rostand, famous French dramatist and poet, died of pneumonia at 1:30 P. M. today. Edmund Rostand was born in Marsailles, April 1, 1878. He was elected to the French Academy in 1918. Among his famous productions are "Cyrano de Bergerac," "L'Aiglon," "Chantecler" and "La Samaritaine."

WORLD RESTAURANT.  
Pulitzer (World) Building.  
We would respectfully call your attention to the fact that the World Restaurant, during the past year, has been completely renovated, new equipment, and is now under the efficient management of Mr. J. J. Scherrenberg. You will find us in real home style, at reasonable prices. May we suggest that you give the restaurant, under the new conditions, a trial. Open from 12 M. to 2 A. M.  
It is now well worth a visit.—Adm.

### HUGE CROWDS CHEER RETURNING TROOPS; MAURETANIA LANDS FIRST 4,000 MEN HERE



VIEW OF THE BOYS ON DECK

### CAPT. BLUE PROMOTED TO BE REAR ADMIRAL

Commander of the Superdread-  
nought Texas Will Be Bureau  
of Navigation Chief.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Capt. Victor Blue, now commanding the superdreadnought Texas, has been selected for detail as chief of the Bureau of Navigation, with rank of Rear Admiral. He was chief of the bureau for four years to August, 1916.

Secretary Daniels announced today the sending of Capt. Blue's nomination to the Senate, and also that of Rear Admiral David Taylor for another tour of duty as Chief Constructor of the Navy.

Every tugboat and ferryboat un-  
loaded sirens as the liner, still wear-  
ing her coat of camouflage, passed  
up the river. Passengers on the ferries  
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scrambled to the top of the houses to  
wave and shout and cheer for the  
returning soldiers.

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that of Victory Day.

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SWARM DECKS AND SEND BACK  
CHEER FOR CHEER.

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More Than Were Printed  
During the Entire Twelve  
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ADVERTISE IN  
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### Throng Line River Front and Give Great Ovation to Men—They Go Direct to Camp—Visitors Barred.

Ah! a din that was equalled on the  
water front only by the Victory Day  
demonstration, the Cunard liner Maure-  
tania sped up the bay at ten o'clock  
this morning from quarantine and  
to her pier at the foot of 13th  
Street, North River, with 3,599 Amer-  
ican soldiers—members of the first  
units to be sent home with the close  
of the fighting.

The returning units consisted of  
twenty-four aero squadrons, one con-  
struction bricklayers' company and  
radio mechanics' detachments. The  
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men of other units.

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### 1,100 U. S. HEROES, WOUNDED, GAY AS THEY LAND HERE

Lost Legs or Arms or Gas  
Burns Fail to Mar Joy of Men  
on Hospital Ship in Port.

The sound of many crutches and  
cane against the boards of Army Pier  
No. 1, the tramp of stretcher bearers,  
the hum of motors of ambulances that  
waited in long lines outside the pier,  
the cheerful voices of American sol-  
diers and Marines who had lost arms  
or legs or both, the cough of the "gas  
cases," the merry laughter of the  
"slightly wounded"—these were the  
dominating sounds this morning at  
the river edge in Hoboken, where the  
transport Northern Pacific lay at her  
dock.

Eleven hundred wounded men were  
there, disembarking, climbing into the  
ambulances (those who still had arms  
and legs enough to climb with) or  
lifted into the ambulances by the  
stretcher bearers.

None knew where he was going,  
only that it would be some hospital  
or other in Jersey or New York or  
elsewhere. But all of them were  
gay because they had passed Miss  
Liberty as they came in, because the  
war was won, because they were

SENATOR WANTS WILSON'S  
DUTIES TO IMMEDIATELY  
DEVOLVE UPON MARSHALL

Sherman Will Introduce Resolution  
to Declare President's Office  
Vacant Because of Absence.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Sen-  
ator Sherman of Illinois,  
Republican, announced today  
that he would introduce to-  
morrow a resolution to declare  
vacant the office of President be-  
cause of Mr. Wilson's absence,  
and proposing that the President's  
powers and duties should im-  
mediately devolve upon the Vice  
President.

RUMELY IS INDICTED.  
Charged With Failure to Report  
German Property Ownership.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Edward A.  
Rumely of New York, who bought the  
New York Evening Mail with money  
said to have been furnished by the  
German Government, was indicted by a  
Federal Grand Jury here today on a  
charge of failing to report German  
ownership of property to the Alien  
Property Custodian.

### WILSON GOING TO EUROPE TO MAKE GOOD CAUSE FOR WHICH OUR SOLDIERS DIED

Says in His Address to Congress  
That Allies Have Accepted Princi-  
ples He Enunciated, and That  
It Is His Highest Duty to Play  
Full Part in Making Peace Treaty.

Stands Ready to Release Control of  
the Railroads, but Declares They  
Can Never Return to the Old Sys-  
tem of Management—For Bigger  
Navy and Woman Suffrage.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—President Wilson delivered his annual  
address to the opening of Congress to-day and briefly announced of-  
ficially his going to attend the peace conference. Despite many reports  
that Republicans or Democrats opposed to his course intended to heckle  
him with questions, not an incident developed to make the occasion differ-  
ent from former ones.

The President discussed the end of the war, the reconstruction prob-  
lems, the return of the country to a peace-time basis, and, at the end, re-  
ferred, briefly to the coming trip to Europe, where, the President said, by  
means of cable and wireless he would be in constant and uninterrupted  
communication with Congress throughout his absence from the country,  
which he hoped would be a short one.

Democratic representatives rose and cheered loudly the President's  
announcement of his going to Europe, but Republicans generally and some  
Democratic Senators were silent.

Declaring he had no "private thought or purpose" in going to  
France, but that he regarded it as his highest duty, the President  
added: "It is now my duty to play my full part in making good what  
they (America's soldiers) offered their life's blood to obtain."

The President said he hoped to see a formal declaration of peace by  
treaty "By the time spring has come."

Referring to his announcement that the French and British Govern-  
ments had removed all cable restrictions from the transmission of news  
of the conference to America, the President said he had taken over the  
American cable systems on expert advice so as to make a unified system  
available.

### RAILROAD POLICY NOT YET DEFINED.

President Wilson after giving high praise to our soldiers and sailors  
and the President discussed at length the railroad and other reconstruc-  
tion problems. He said he stood ready to release the railroads from  
Government control whenever a satisfactory plan of readjustment could  
be worked out but declared the roads would never be permitted to return  
to old conditions of management.

"What the country chiefly needs," he said, "is that all its means  
of transportation should be developed—its railways, its waterways, its  
highways and its countryside roads. Some new element of policy,  
therefore, is absolutely necessary—necessary for the service of the  
public necessary for the release of credit to those who are adminis-  
tering the railways, necessary for the protection of their security  
holders. The old policy may be changed much or little, but surely it  
cannot wisely be left as it was. I hope that the Congress will have a  
complete and impartial study of the whole problem instituted at once  
and prosecuted as rapidly as possible.

No definite programme of reconstruction can be outlined now, Mr.  
Wilson said, but as soon as the treaty was signed, Government control  
of business and industry would be released as far as possible. He  
expressed the hope that Congress would not object to conferring upon

WEATHER—Rain or Snow To-Night and Tuesday.

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